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Draft decision on the adjustment of the remuneration of members of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

The Meeting of States Parties,

Considering that, in respect of the level of remuneration of the members of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea ("the Tribunal"), the fourth Meeting of States Parties decided to maintain equivalence with the remuneration levels of members of the International Court of Justice,

Considering also that the General Assembly, in its decision 62/547 of 3 April 2008, decided to set, effective 1 April 2008, the annual net base salary of the members of the International Court of Justice at 158,000 United States dollars, with a corresponding post adjustment multiplier equal to 1 per cent of the net base salary, to which would be applied the post adjustment multiplier for the Netherlands, as appropriate, taking into account the adjustment mechanism as proposed by the Secretary-General in paragraph 77 of his report,[1]

Considering further that the adjustment mechanism adopted by the General Assembly in its decision 62/547 provides that "on the occasion of future revisions to the base scale applicable to staff in the Professional and higher categories that are effected through the consolidation of post adjustment multiplier points into the base scale with a corresponding readjustment in the post adjustment multipliers, the annual base salary of the members of the International Court of Justice also be adjusted by the same percentage and at the same time",

Considering that on the basis of the adjustment mechanism adopted by the General Assembly the net base salary for members of the International Court of Justice was again revised to 161,681 dollars, effective 1 January 2009, in line with the consolidation of 2.33 per cent multiplier points in the base salary scale for staff in the Professional and higher categories,

Considering also that the nineteenth Meeting decided to set, effective 1 July 2009, the annual net base salary of the members of the Tribunal at 161,681 dollars, with a corresponding post adjustment multiplier equal to 1 per cent of the net base salary, to which would be applied the post adjustment multiplier for Hamburg, as

[1] A/62/538.

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appropriate, taking into account the adjustment mechanism as adopted by the General Assembly in its decision 62/547,

Considering further that the nineteenth Meeting also decided, on the occasion of future revisions to the annual net base salary of members of the International Court of Justice, to consider that the annual base salary of the members of the Tribunal also be adjusted by the same percentage and at the same time, bearing in mind the need to maintain equivalence with the remuneration levels of the members of the International Court of Justice,

Noting that, on the basis of the adjustment mechanism adopted by the General Assembly, the net base salary for members of the International Court of Justice was further revised to 166,596 dollars, effective 1 January 2010 in line with the consolidation of 3.04 per cent multiplier points in the base salary scale for staff in the Professional and higher categories,

1. *Decides* to set, retroactively, effective 1 January 2010, the annual net base salary of the members of the Tribunal at 166,596 dollars, with a corresponding post adjustment multiplier equal to 1 per cent of the net base salary, to which would be applied the post adjustment multiplier for Hamburg, taking into account the adjustment mechanism as established by the General Assembly in its decision 62/547, without prejudice to future decisions taken on this matter;

2. *Also decides* that, on the occasion of future revisions to the annual net base salary of the members of the International Court of Justice that take place until the twenty-first Meeting of States Parties, the annual base salary of the members of the Tribunal shall also be adjusted by the same percentage and at the same time;

3. *Decides* that the Registrar shall report to the twenty-first Meeting of States Parties on all relevant implications, in a timely manner, concerning the present decision.